

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 9, 2001

PRESENT

R. Dale Roper
Wesley Bloomfield
Gayle Bunker
Bruce Curtis
Robert Dekker

Mayor
Council Member
Council Member
Council Member
Council Member

ABSENT

Glen Swalberg
Gregory Jay Schafer

Council Member
City Recorder

ALSO PRESENT

Neil Forster
Judy Baker
Richard Waddingham
Karen Johnson

Public Works Director
City Treasurer
City Attorney
Assistant Recorder

Mayor Roper called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He stated that notice of the meeting time, place, and agenda was posted at the City Building, located at 76 North 200 West, and provided to the Millard County Chronicle/Progress, KNAK Radio, and each member of the City Council at least two days prior to the meeting.

Council Member Robert Dekker offered an invocation, following which Mayor Roper led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

The proposed minutes of Public Hearing #1 held March 12, 2001 were presented for consideration and approval. Council Member Wesley Bloomfield MOVED to approve the minutes of Public Hearing #1 held March 12, 2001, as presented. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Robert Dekker. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

The proposed minutes of Public Hearing #2 held March 12, 2001 were presented for consideration and approval. Council Member Wesley Bloomfield MOVED to approve the minutes of Public Hearing #2, held March 12, 2001, as presented. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member

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Robert Dekker. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

The proposed minutes of a Regular City Council Meeting held March 12, 2001 were presented for consideration and approval. Council Member Dekker questioned whether the word "adversely" should be removed from a sentence regarding the Sugarloafers Motorcycle Club race. The council agreed that the word should be removed. Mayor Roper stated, for the record, that he had talked with the president of the Sugarloafers Motorcycle Club, who advised him that they had talked with everyone who would be affected by the race route. Following discussion, Council Member Wesley Bloomfield MOVED to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held March 12, 2001, as corrected. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Gayle Bunker. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Council reviewed the accounts payable, a copy of which had been given to them two days prior to the meeting. Council Member Robert Dekker MOVED to approve the accounts payable, in the amount of \$117,220.70. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Wesley Bloomfield. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items of unfinished business on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR NEIL FORSTER: REQUEST FOR WRITE-OFF OF UNCOLLECTIBLE DELINQUENT WATER ACCOUNTS

Public Works Director Forster advised the Council that the list of uncollectible delinquent water accounts he has provided consists of seven individuals who have moved from the area and their water account statements have been returned by the post office as undeliverable. Two of the individuals on the list currently own property in Delta City; those who own property will have a flag noted on the property address so that, if they should return to Delta, attempts would be made to collect these funds prior to water service being provided to the property.

Council Member Robert Dekker MOVED to write off the accounts listed by Public Works Director Forster, in the amount of \$953.13. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Gayle Bunker. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

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PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR NEIL FORSTER: DELTA CITY CLEAN UP DAYS

Public Works Director Forster reported that he had discussed spring clean up days with his employees to determine what days would be best for them to work on city clean up. They decided that May 12th and May 19th would be the best days to do city clean up.

Council Member Wesley Bloomfield MOVED to set Delta City Spring Clean Up days as May 12th for the North side of Main Street and May 19th for the South side of Main Street. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Bruce Curtis. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR NEIL FORSTER: SET WATER RENTAL RATE AND DITCH TAX RATE FOR 2001

Public Works Director Forster felt that the water rental rate and ditch tax rates used last year were adequate and recommended that the rates continue at \$30/acre foot of water and \$30 for ditch tax. Council Member Wesley Bloomfield MOVED to continue the water rental rate at \$30/acre foot and the ditch tax at \$30 per delivery site. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Robert Dekker. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR R. DALE ROPER: THEME FOR FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Mayor Roper called the attention of the Council to a list of suggested themes for the 2001 Delta City Fourth of July celebration. Following discussion of possible themes, Council Member Gayle Bunker MOVED to select the theme of "Visions of a New Century" for the 2001 Delta City Fourth of July celebration. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Wesley Bloomfield. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Bruce Curtis advised the Council that Council Member Glen Swalberg had asked him to suggest that a Delta City ad be included in a Guest Directory to be placed in all of the rooms at the Best Western Motel. The ad would cost Delta City \$100. Council Member Swalberg asked Council Member Curtis to mention that 65% of the local tourism money comes from the Best Western Motel. Council Member Wesley Bloomfield MOVED to approve placement of an ad in the Guest Directory at the Best Western Motel, at a cost of \$100. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Gayle Bunker. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Bruce Curtis noted that, upon returning to Delta following a two week absence, the first thing he saw when he arrived on Main Street is a huge billboard which has been installed near 279 East Main Street. Public Works Director Forster advised the Council that, under the current zoning ordinance, the billboard is a permitted use in the Central Business District.

Following discussion of billboards, marquees, and business signs, Council Member Wesley Bloomfield MOVED to ask the Planning & Zoning Commission to review the current zoning ordinance to determine what can be done to either eliminate further construction of billboards, or limit their size, in the Central Business District, the Commercial Development Zone District and the Agricultural Zone District fronting highways within the Delta City limits, and that the Planning & Zoning Commission make recommendations to the Council. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Bruce Curtis. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Wesley Bloomfield reported that, in one of the sessions at the Utah League of Cities and Towns Mid-Year Conference, it was suggested that municipalities adopt an Energy Sales & Use Tax for electrical power and natural gas. Due to the deregulated environment, a franchise tax does not cover all possible business entities which may be utilized within the municipality. City Attorney Richard Waddingham advised the Council that Delta City had adopted a Municipal Energy Sales & Use Tax two or three years ago.

Council Member Wesley Bloomfield noted that there are several clogged storm drains and questioned whether the street sweeper could be used to sweep gutters in order to help the storm drains work more efficiently. Public Works Director Forster stated that the street sweeper would be used as soon as possible.

Council Member Gayle Bunker asked for a status report on 450 South Street. Public Works Director Forster stated that we have obtained the guard rail to be installed along the canal at 450 South, but we have not yet obtained a right-of-way to install the guard rail.

Mayor Roper asked if there were any other comments, questions, or other items to be discussed. There being none, Council Member Robert Dekker MOVED to adjourn the meeting. The motion was SECONDED by Council Member Wesley Bloomfield. Mayor Roper asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, he called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mayor Roper declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.


R. DALE ROPER, Mayor


GREGORY JAY SCHAFER, City Recorder

MINUTES APPROVED: RCCM 05-14-01